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PATENT

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RESPONSE

This paper is being filed in response to an Office Action mailed June 4, 2002, and is being timely filed within the shortened statutory period set for a response to the Office Action. No fees are believed to be due for filing this paper. However, if any fees are due, charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 160245.0045).

REMARKS

Claims 1-62 are pending and are unamended.

Claims 1-7, 9-11, 13-21, 23-25 and 27-29 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,884,287 (Edesess) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,418,888 (Alden).

Claims 30-36, 38-40, 42-50, 51-54 and 56-62 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Edesess in view of Alden and U.S. Patent No. 5,388,248 (Robinson).

Withdrawal of all outstanding rejections is respectfully requested for at least the reasons set forth below.